



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

ASHIDA, et al.

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Title: INK-JET RECORDING SHEET

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 16, 2003, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2 and 4, without prejudice.

Please amend claim 1 as follows (see the attached Appendix for the changes made to effect the below claim):

Claim 1. (Thrice Amended) An ink-jet recording sheet which comprises a water resistant support and at least one ink-receptive layer provided on the support, wherein at least one of the ink-receptive layer contains fumed silica fine particles having an average primary particle diameter of 20 nm or less in an amount of 8 g/m²

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